## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Sims, Lawrence

Serial No. 10/689,179 Filed: 10/20/2003

For: "Abutment System and Method of

Preparing Same"

Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: WERNER, J. S.

Customer Number: 25854

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Amendment P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 31, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated 05/31/2006, please reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.